

Your Guidebook to the

Preston Medical Library & Learning Resource Center

At The University of Tennessee Medical Center and
Graduate School of Medicine

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The **CUTTING EDGE** of Information Services

Preston Medical Library provides exceptional reference, research, and instruction for UT Graduate School of Medicine (UTGSM) faculty, residents, students, and physicians, and outreach to the community.

What's new

In the News Current news stories and TOC from major journals.

Trials of two new products available for 90 days. Please let us know what you think by emailing library@mc.utmck.edu.

Dynamed is an evidence based medicine clinical reference tool for use primarily at the 'point-of-care'.

Scientific & Medical ART (SMART) Imagebase is a collection of 11,000+ high quality illustrations and animations depicting anatomy, physiology, surgery, diseases, and much more.. Images may be downloaded for educational, non-commercial use.

American Journal of Obstetrics & Gynecology
Beginning with the January 2007 issue the journal has adopted a new format. The official version

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The Preston Medical Library & Learning Resource Center's mission is to partner with the Graduate School of Medicine in providing excellence in education, patient care and research. The library is committed to ensuring access to clinical information through the acquisition, organization and management of collections. We provide exceptional reference, research and instruction for faculty, residents, students and physicians and outreach to the community.

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Library Hours & Access

Preston Medical Library is staffed Monday-Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Closings for holidays will be posted in advance. The library is open to everyone during staffed hours. UT Graduate School of Medicine (UTGSM) and UT Medical Center staff have 24-hour access to the library with a valid identification badge.

After-hours access is available only to UTGSM or UT Medical Center employees who have registered with the library. Any UTGSM or UT Medical Center employee who would like after-hours access must bring their identification badge to the library and be registered.

Finding What You Need

The first floor of the facility contains the following areas:

Reference/Information Desk
Library Director's Office
Interlibrary Loan Office
Computer Workstations
Current Periodicals
Computer Laboratory
Joellen S. Fordham Conference Room
Computer Training Laboratory
Professor's Lounge
Staff Room
Bindery Preparation Room

The ground floor of the library is the "stacks" area. The book section is located to the right of the elevator. The periodicals are located in alphabetical order with the "A's" beginning at the left of the elevator.

Computers and Wireless Internet Access

Computer Workstations:

The Preston Medical Library has computer workstations available for all library users. All workstations have Internet connections. The library staff provides orientation and education in use of the Internet and the electronic databases. The Training Laboratory has eight computers and may be scheduled for classes. The library also provides wireless access to the Internet using your own PDA or personal computer. Patient families are welcome to use the library computers. Time is limited to one hour per day per person.

Computer Laboratory:

The computer laboratory in the Preston Medical Library is available to UT Graduate School of Medicine & UT Medical Center staff use only. Computers with CD Rom reader/writer or DVD drives and scanners are available during library hours. Software includes Microsoft Office applications. These computers have Internet access.

The Library also has LCD projectors and laptop computers available for checkout. This equipment circulates to UTGSM faculty, resident & academic departments only.

Off-Campus Access

To access library resources from outside the hospital, you need to register for off-campus access. "Authorized users", i.e. Graduate School of Medicine faculty, staff, and students, UT Medical Center staff and UT faculty, staff, and students have access to almost all electronic databases and journals from any computer that is connected to the Internet.

The library will supply a User ID and Password when you register. To register, go to the Preston Medical Library home page, and click on the link for Off-Campus Access on the right-hand side.

Borrowing

Circulation privileges are extended to any UT Graduate School of Medicine faculty or staff member, UT Medical Center staff member, area practicing physician, UT faculty/staff, UT Students or subscribers. The library is also participating in the TBR/UT Borrowers Card project which provides borrowing privileges to eligible faculty and students state-wide. Circulating materials may be borrowed for a two-week period. Non-circulating materials may be made available as needed for special situations (slides, presentations, etc.) The library's journals do not circulate.

To check out materials, please bring the item to any staff member at the information desk. All materials are due back in two weeks from the date of check out. Items may be renewed over the phone (305-9525). Renewal may be denied if someone else has requested a hold on the item.

Collections

Access to the library's collection is available through the UT Libraries Catalog. Preston Medical Library books can be identified by "Preston Medical Library" and the call number based on the Library of Congress Classification System. Periodicals and other materials can be identified by "Preston Medical Library." For orientation on use of the online catalog, please contact a library staff member.

Periodicals

The Preston Medical Library currently subscribes to over 400 journal titles. There are over 700 individual journal titles in the collection. Journals are shelved alphabetically by title for easy retrieval. Current periodicals are located on the library first floor. The bound journals are in the stacks area, which is located on the ground floor. The library's journal collection does not circulate.

The majority of the library's 14,189 bound volumes cover the last Fifteen Years to the present. There is a subset of journals held for twenty-five years. The library has an extensive list of electronic journals, which can be accessed through the library's eJournals page.

Most currently received journal titles are bound for preservation purposes and ease of access. It takes approximately four weeks for journals to return from the bindery. Materials currently at the bindery are identified in the catalog with the notation "at bindery".

Audiovisual Materials

The Preston Medical Library has more than 245 audiovisual titles. Audio video resources are shelved in stacks area located on the library's ground floor along with the textbooks. Audiovisuals may be borrowed for the usual 14-day loan period. In addition, the library owns computer programs for use within the library.

Books

The Medical Library's book holdings include approximately 3,594 volumes in the basic sciences, clinical medicine, and public health. Books are shelved by call number according to the Library of Congress classification system. The library is not an archival collection of historical materials, so every effort is made to ensure currency of materials. Books are located on the ground floor of the library.

The library also maintains a substantial collection of electronic books, which can be accessed through the eBooks page on the library's Web site.

Books are selected for the collection in support of UT Graduate School of Medicine's various research, teaching, and clinical care needs. Recommendations for purchase of new library materials may be communicated to the Library Director. A book purchase recommendation form is available. Newly processed books recently received by the library are shelved on the "New Book" cart in the Reading Room.

PDA Resources

PDAs (personal digital assistants) have become a staple in all areas of medicine. Preston Medical Library offers PDA support: personalized classes by appointment, syncing, and an online page of useful PDA links (http://gsm.utmck.edu/med_library/pda/pda.htm) Bring your cradle/cable and PDA to the library and we can help you get started!

Electronic Databases

Preston Medical Library provides electronic access to more than 20 full-text and bibliographic databases. These medical and academic databases provide clinical information, reviews, articles, citations, images, drug information, and more. A complete listing of the Medical Library's databases can be found on the eDatabases page on the library's Web site.

Below are some of the most popular databases:

ACS Surgery
BioMed Central
ChemIDPlus
Cochrane Library

eMedicine
InfoPOEMs
MD Consult
Micromedex

PubMed (Medline)
StatRef Reference
StatRef Nursing
UpToDate

Printing and Photocopying

Self-service digital printer/copiers are available in the library. For the convenience of departments, the current system of copy codes is used for printing and copying. UTGSM faculty, staff, and students and UT Medical Center staff should contact their department administrators to obtain the copy codes for their departments. If you pay by cash or check, the cost for each page printed/copied is five cents.

Interlibrary Loan

Books, journal articles, and other materials that are not owned or are missing from the Preston Medical Library's collection may be borrowed or photocopied from other libraries. The requestor can take advantage of delivery via email to have the materials delivered to their desktop. Material for pick-up will be placed in a file box in alphabetical order by the client's name. The box is located behind at the information desk on the first floor.

There is a \$11.00 charge per Interlibrary Loan for UT GSM faculty and staff. Receipt of the requested materials may take from one day to a few weeks, depending upon availability. The requests are processed as quickly as possible.

Only UT Graduate School of Medicine staff, UT Medical Center staff, area practicing physicians or health care professionals, and subscribers may request interlibrary loans. If you are an East Tennessee Physician, Graduate School of Medicine or UT Medical Center staff, contact the library to set up an account.

Instruction

The Preston Medical Library offers training classes on a variety of topics. Check the library's Web site for a current schedule of classes on topics such as:

- Consumer and Patient Education Resources on the Internet
- Current Awareness/Table of Contents Services
- Evidence-Based Health Care Tools
- Internet Basics
- Internet Resources for the Health Professional
- Medicine on the Internet
- Personal Digital Assistants (PDAs)
- PowerPoint Basics
- Preston Medical Library 101
- PubMed
- RefWorks
- Word Basics

Literature Searches

The professional library staff is trained in searching PubMed and the National Library of Medicine's databases. PubMed provides access to bibliographic information that includes MEDLINE and more. There is no charge to UTGSM faculty, staff, residents or area physicians for mediated literature searches. The charge to subscribers is \$30.00. The library provides a search request form on its Web site.

Reserving Library Facilities

The Preston Medical Library has a conference room that is available for UT Graduate School of Medicine and UT Medical Center use. The conference room will comfortably seat 20 people. Lunch may be served. For groups of 20 persons or more from off-campus, the scheduler must contact the Security Department at UT Medical Center (305-9540) for parking accommodations before space is booked. The conference room has a computer and LCD projector that may be used for presentations. Teleconferencing may also be done in this room.

The Computer Training Laboratory in the library has eight networked computers and may also be scheduled for classes. The Library offers a SMART Board for presentations in the training laboratory.

The library also has a small Study Room on the ground floor. The Study Room can seat six people and may be reserved for small groups.

Contact the library for more details on scheduling, reserving, and using library facilities.

The Preston Medical Library is located at the UT Medical Center next to the main hospital tower in the Graduate School of Medicine Building.

